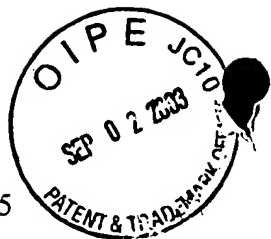


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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to an Office Action dated February 27, 2003, which set a shortened three-month statutory period for response expiring on May 27, 2003. Please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

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